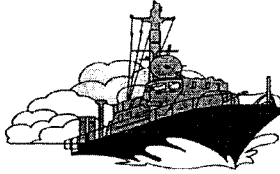




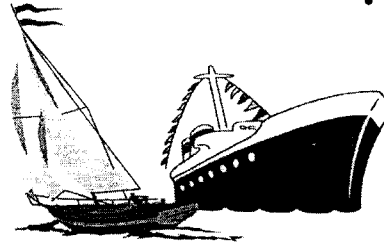
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OKEECHOBEE WATERWAY, FLORIDA

1. Due to continuing declines in water surface stages in Lake Okeechobee Waterway (OWW), mariners are strongly advised that the following lock restrictions should be taken into consideration whether transiting the Lake or stopping for recreational activities such as fishing. The following restrictions are effective immediately:


The following tables are the WP Franklin and St Lucie Locks restrictions corresponding to Lake level(FT)	Action for Lockage	St Lucie Lockage time	WP Franklin Lockage time
Greater than 12.5	On demand	0600- 2100	0600-2100
12.5-11.5	Lock every 2 hours	0700,0900,1100, 1300,1500,1700, 1900	0700,0900,1100, 1300,1500,1700, 1900
11.5-10.5	3 Lockages per day	0700, 1300, 1900	0700, 1300, 1900
10.5-9.0	2 Lockages per day	0900, 1600	0900, 1600
Less than 9.0	1 Lockages per day	1200	1200

2. Lake Levels have dropped below the 10.50 mark. We will now implement two lockages per day at St Lucie and WP Franklin Locks.

3. In addition to the lock restrictions above, mariners are strongly advised to monitor declining lake levels and corresponding reductions in available vessel draft for both Route 1 and Route 2. See Jacksonville District web site at <http://www.saj.usace.army.mil>, in the bottom right corner of the home page, regarding "available vessel draft" for Lake Levels below 12.0.

4. Additional information concerning Lake Okeechobee and the adjoining waterway may be obtained by accessing the Jacksonville District web site at <http://www.saj.usace.army.mil> and choosing the OPERATIONS DIVISION tab and selecting the NOTICE TO NAVIGATION from the pull down menu.

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